(c) the action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Andhra Pradesh Urban Poverty Alleviation Project was submitted by the State Government with a view to bring about more effective urban poverty reduction in 32 Class I towns in the State through the convergence and development of existing poverty alleviation programmes in three programme areas—economic, environmental and social. The project will adopt a townwise approach, targeting the poor irrespective of spatial criterion.

(c) The Union Government had submitted a project proposal to Overseas Development Administration (U.K.) for their consideration. The Approval to implement this project from ODA (U.K.) is awaited.

Shortage of officers on Oil Corporations

2452. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers of the oil corporations staying at one location for the last more than four years inspite of their promotion;

(b) whether the oil corporation have got the shortage of officers to replace them;

(c) whether the oil corporation are delaying in implementing several Government decisions for the last six months; and

(d) what action is proposed against those oil corporation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) 9614 officers are staying at one location for the last 4 years or more after their promotion. The servies of officers in the oil corporations are transferable to any place in India. However, promotions are not normally linked to transfers. Number of transfers are optimised to minimise the expenditure on account of transfers and hardships to officers. There are opportunities of job rotation even at the same station. Transfers are effected keeping in view the career progression of the officers and the organisational needs.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Development work by up Housing Development Board in Ghaziabad

2453. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the UP Housing Develop ment Board has undertaken development work for a number of Cooperative Hous ing Societies in Ghaziabad district; if so, the names of such societies;

(b) the terms and conditions under which the development work has been undertaken in each case and the area involved therein;

(c) the date from which the work has started in each case; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the development work has not been completed by the target date; if so, the reasons therefor and the approximate date by which the work would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) The Government of Uttar Pradesh have reported that the U.P. Housing & Development Board has undertaken the development work of Mohan Nagar Karamchari Cooperative Housing Society Ltd. in Ghaziabad.

(b) The development work involving an area of 76.01 acres has been undertaken with the condition that seventy per cent

of the land shall be developed as compact area at one place having provisions of plots and community facilities such as school parks, community-eentres etc., oh the basis of actual development cost payable in three instalments of 40%, 30% and 30% calculated on the estimated cost of Rs. 800 per sq. metre. The remaining 30% area shall be adjusted for trunk services like green belt, roads etc.

(c) The date of start of development work of Mohan Nagar Karamchari • Cooperative Housing Society Ltd. is 23.12.1993.

(d) The work of Mohan Nagar Kram-chari Cooperative Housing Society Ltd. was to be completed as per the agreement of payments of development cost which was to be paid in three instalments. The society could not pay the 1st instalment of 40% against the estimated cost as was required by the Board. Therefore the development work could not be completed. The Board can develop the society area within two years provided timely payment is made by the society.

Power Connections in Gujarat

2454. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of single point light connections under Kutir Jyoti Programme released to the households of rural poor including Harijan and Adivasi families in Gujarat during the last three years with district-wise and year-wise details;

(b) whether all the households of rural poor living below the poverty line in the State have been extended this facility; and

(c) if not, by when all such families in Gujarat are likely to be covered under Kutir Jyoti Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) Single point light connections given to the rural poor including the Harijan and Adivasi families in Gujarat under Kutir Jyoti Programme during the last three years are as under:

Year	No. of connections
1993-94	6340
1994-95	3170
1995-96	5000

The district-wise details are given in statement *(see* below).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Allocation of funds to the Stataes and fixation of targets for release of single point connections is decided on the basis of availability of funds, population below poverty line and capability of the SEB in each State. Extension of this facility to the households of all the rural poor in Gujarat will depend upon availability of resources and allocations of funds.

Statement

Distrct-wise Progress of Kutir Jyoti Scheme for last 3 years

sl. No.	District	1993-94 Achievement	1994-95 Achievement	1995-96 Achievement
1.	Dang	325	165	398
2.	Valsad	280	165	165
3.	Surat	•381	165	290
4.	Bharuch	462	165	315
5.	Baroda	376	165	345
6.	Panchma hals	380	165	315
7.	Sabarkantha	466	165	365
8.	Kheda	375	161	182